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SUBJECT: CONTRACT GUARDS

REFERENCE: A) STATE 113010; B) STATE A-688

1. POST SOMEWHAT CONFUSED AS TO APPLICABILITY REPAIR (B)  
TO SALARY INCREASE REQUIREMENTS FOR LONG-STANDING  
CONTRACT PROGRAMS. PAGE ONE, REPAIR APPEARS TO BE GERARED  
TO APPLICATION FOR FUTURE CONTRACT PROGRAMS (NEW PROGRAMS)  
OR EXTRA NEEDS FOR UNEXPECTED NEW THREATS, RATHER THAN LONG-  
STANDING OPERATIONS IN AREAS WHERE USE OF CONTRACT SERVICES  
WELL KNOWN TO DEPT. VIA MANY ADMIN/SY REPORTS.

2. WE ASSUMED DEPT UNDERSTOOD THAT TWO COMS HAVE SUCCESSIONALLY AUTHORIZED  
AND REVIEWED THESE PROGRAMS FOR OVER FOUR YEARS, THEIR SEPARATE EXISTENCE  
DUE TO FACT THAT HOST GOV'T IS UNABLE TO ASSUME FULL  
GUARD COVERAGE RELEVANT TO TOTAL U.S. MISSION SECURITY  
NEEDS.

3. ANY CURTAILMENT OF EMBASSY (CONTRACT) GUARD FORCE  
PRESENTLY AUTHORIZED BY COM, WOULD DISTINCTLY AFFECT  
LEVEL OF PROTECTION TO THE U.S. DIPLOMATIC AND USAID  
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MISSION COMPOUNDS (WHICH INCLUDE COM RESIDENCE), DUE TO  
LIMITED YARG MANPOWER RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN TERMS OF  
SIZE AND PHYSICAL LAY-OUT OF THE COMPOUNDS. SHORT OF  
INSTALLATION OF EXTENSIVE AND COMCPLEX OUTDOOR CCTV AND PERIMETER  
ALARM SYSTEMS OVER BOTH COMPOUNDS (NOT ADVISED BY SY  
SECURITY TECHS), THERE IS NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE TO  
CONTINUED USE OF CONTRACT PERSONNEL.

4. SIMILARLY, REDUCTION IN (CONTRACT) RESIDENCE GUARD COVERAGE (VIRTUALLY UNOBTAINABLE FROM HOST COUNTRY'S LIMITED RESOURCES), WOULD SINGLE-OUT U.S. MISSION HOUSES AS SINGLE-RESIDENCE DWELLINGS WITHOUT CUSTOMARY WATCHMEN, GREATLY INCREASING CHANCES OF BREAK-INS AND BURGLARIES AGAINST U.S. MISSION PERSONNEL. RATE OF FORCED ENTRIES (FORTUNATELY NOT INVOLVING FIREARMS) IS RAPIDLY INCREASING HERE. SEVERAL RECENT CASES HAVE EVEN INVOLVED MURDERS. LACK OF TELEPHONES FROM RESIDENCES TO LOCAL POLICE, ABSENCE OF STREET NAMES/MAPS, LACK OF ENGLISH-SPEAKING POLICE AND NON-EXISTENT-TO-SLUGGISH PATROL RESPONSE TIMES ALL STRONGLY MILITATE AGAINST WITHDRAWAL OF RESIDENCE GUARD FUNDING. EVEN CHIEF OF CID FOR YAR HAS VOICED OPINION THAT ABSENCE OF RESIDENCE GUARD AT A FOREIGN HOME HERE INCREASES LIKEHOOD OF FORCED ENTRIES BEING REPEATEDLY ATTEMPTED.

5. USAID (DIRECTOR), USIS (PAO) AND DEFENSE ATTACHE CONCUR PARA 4, ABOVE.  
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